

DICKINSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
Monday, June 13, 2011 - 6:30 p.m.
Courthouse - Circuit Courtroom

1. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Wender at 6:30 P.M.
2. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was said by all.
3. Roll Call was taken by County Clerk Dolly Cook and a quorum was present.

Present: Chairman Wender, Vice Chairman Smith and Commissioners Degenauer Jr., Martin and Stevens.(5)

Absent: (0)

Also Present: County Clerk Dolly Cook, Prosecutor Stephanie Brule, Sheriff Scott Celello, Equalization Director Larry Swartout and Administrative Assistant Sonya Pugh.

4. Motion by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., supported by Commissioner Smith to accept the agenda with the following addition:

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS & OLD BUSINESS

1. Discussion on recycling.

All Ayes, Motion Carried.

5. Motion by Commissioner Martin, supported by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., to approve the following meeting minutes as written:

Finance Meeting - 5/19/11

Regular Meeting - 5/23/11

Committee of the Whole - 5/25/10

Degenauer Jr., Martin, Smith, Stevens and Wender Ayes on the Regular Meeting of 5/23/11 and the Committee of the Whole meeting of 5/25/11. Motion Carried. Degenauer Jr., Martin, Stevens and Wender voted Aye, Smith abstained because he was not present. Motion Carried on the Finance Meeting Minutes of 5/19/11.

6. **COMMUNICATIONS AND LEGISLATION:**

A. Citizens' Time: (Limited to five minutes per person)

1. Chairman Wender opened the Hearing relative to the establishment of the County operating millage for 2011 of 6.1203 mills at 6:37 P.M. (Same as current rate). There was no participation. Larry Swartout explained the ad that must be run but explained there is no increase. Commissioner Smith stated it has been the same for about 6 years and is not an increase. Chairman Wender closed the Public Hearing at 6:40 P.M.

2. Citizens' Time: (Limited to five minutes per person)

Chairman Wender opened the floor to Citizens' Time. Dale Alessandrini, Iron Mountain, addressed the Board. He stated the papers are being written up to change the wording on the covenant for the property on Woodward Avenue. He stated their lawyer is working on them now. He stated some diagnostic is better than no diagnostic.

He stated he hoped the County Board would move this forward. He stated this would increase everybody's tax base. He thanked the Board.

Larry Haag, Kingsford, addressed the Board. He stated he owns the hospital property. He stated it is very important that the Board understand that Bellin wants no strings attached to this property. He stated they could build any place in Dickinson County. He stated he did not think the covenant applies anymore. He stated we are now on a time restraint. He thanked the Board.

There was no other participation.

B. Resolutions and Legislation - Commissioner Degenauer

1. Chairman Wender presented a plaque to Tim Hammill for service to the Dickinson County Road Commission. Commissioner Degenauer Jr., read the resolution and Chairman Wender handed the plaque to Tim. Chairman Wender stated he appreciated the cooperation the Board has received from the Road Commission and mainly Tim. He stated the Board was grateful and wished a great retirement. Tim thanked the Board. He stated he was enjoying his retirement.

2. Motion by Commissioner Stevens, supported by Commissioner Smith to approve Forest County EDC Resolution No. 16-2011 concerning Border Trail Reciprocity. All Aye, Motion Carried.

3. Motion by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., supported by Commissioner Martin to endorse UPACC Resolutions:

1. Future Unfunded Mandates
2. Consolidation of the Regional Planning Enabling Acts
3. UPEDC Alliance as the UP Collaborative Development Council Entity.

All Ayes, Motion Carried.

7. **REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:**

A. Finance Committee - Finance Chairman John Degenauer, Jr.

1. Motion by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., supported by Commissioner Martin to adopt a County operating millage for 2011 of 6.1203 mills. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

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| Degenauer Jr. | Aye | |
| Martin | Aye | |
| Smith | Aye | |
| Stevens | Aye | |
| Wender | Aye | Motion Carried. |

2. Motion by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., supported by Commissioner Stevens to accept the Treasurer's Trial Balance and Budget Status Reports for the period ending 5/31/11. All Ayes, Motion Carried.

3. Motion by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., supported by Commissioner Stevens to approve a request from TRICO to appropriate \$4,500 to TRICO for the 2011 Budget. Roll Call Voted: Commissioners:

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| Martin | Aye | |
| Smith | Aye | |
| Stevens | Aye | |
| Wender | Aye | |
| Degenauer Jr. | Aye | Motion Carried. |

4. Motion by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., supported by Commissioner Stevens to authorize payment to the Mine Inspector for 2008, 2009, and 2010 travel expense in the amount of \$1,092.53 as recommended by the Committee of the Whole, with the stipulation that subsequent requests for reimbursement be submitted quarterly. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

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| Smith | Aye | |
| Stevens | Aye | |
| Wender | Nay | |
| Degenauer Jr. | Aye | |
| Martin | Aye | Motion Carried. |

Commissioner Wender stated he was slow in getting his bills in and his annual report was slow also and he would like to see him be more timely in the future.

5. Motion by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., supported by Commissioner Martin to approve the monthly bills for May in the amount of \$160,185.86. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

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| Stevens | Aye | |
| Wender | Aye | |
| Degenauer Jr. | Aye | |
| Martin | Aye | |
| Smith | Aye | Motion Carried. |

6. Motion by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., supported by Commissioner Smith to approve payment of \$45,100 to Valley Mechanical as a progress payment on the Correctional Center HVAC project as recommended by the project engineer. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

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| Wender | Aye | |
| Stevens | Aye | |
| Smith | Aye | |
| Martin | Aye | |
| Degenauer Jr. | Aye | Motion Carried. |

B. A-95 Review - Commissioner Joe Stevens - No Report

C. Crystal Lake Center/YMCA - Commissioner Frank Smith - No Report

D. Six County Employment Alliance - Commissioner Frank Smith - No Report

E. Planning and Zoning Committee - Commissioner Joe Stevens

1. Planning Commission Meeting Minutes of 4/28/11.

F. DHS/Community Services Agencies - Commissioner Smith

2. DHS Board meeting minutes of 4/25/11.

G. Dickinson-Iron Health Department - Commissioner Smith

1. Board of Health meeting minutes of 5/25/11.

H. Northpointe - Commissioner Ann Martin

3. Northpointe Board meeting minutes of 5/26/11.

I. Pinecrest - Commissioner John Degenauer, Jr. - No Report

J. Equalization Committee - Commissioner John Degenauer, Jr. - No Report

K. Building & Supply/Real Estate-Remodeling- Commissioner Smith - No Report

L. Public Safety and Judiciary - Commissioner Henry Wender - No Report

M. Parks Committee - Commissioner Joe Stevens

1. Motion by Commissioner Stevens, supported by Commissioner Degenauer Jr. to authorize Scott Morin to complete the project at Stromberg Park by adding gravel to the road and sites at a cost not to exceed \$2,500, with the stipulation that Breen Township provide the gravel. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:
Degenauer Jr. Aye
Martin Aye
Smith Aye
Stevens Aye
Wender Aye Motion Carried.

N. Airport Committee - Commissioner Henry Wender

1. Motion by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., supported by Commissioner Smith to authorize sending a letter of appreciation to Superior Aviation for the use of their hangar for training at Ford Airport. All Ayes, Motion Carried.

2. Motion by Commissioner Stevens, supported by Commissioner Degenauer Jr., to approve Dickinson County Resolution 2011-4 authorizing Henry Wender, Board Chairman to sign MDOT contract #2011-0286 for Ford Airport under Federal Project #F26-0049-1609. Degenauer Jr., Martin, Smith, Stevens Aye, Wender Abstained because he will be signing the contract. Motion Carried.

**DICKINSON COUNTY RESOLUTION
2011-4**

“Authorize Henry Wender, Board Chairman, to execute MDOT Contract No. 2011-0286 whereby the State will provide a grant of \$70,000 which includes a local match of \$1,750 for Apron Rehabilitation Design for Ford Airport under project no. F26-0049-1609.”

3. Motion by Commissioner Stevens, supported by Commissioner Martin to authorize the Chairman to execute MDOT contract #2011-0286 whereby the State will provide a grant of \$70,000 which includes a local share of \$1,750 for Apron Rehabilitation Design for Ford Airport under project no. F26-0049-1609.” Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

Martin Aye
Smith Aye
Stevens Aye
Wender Abstain (He has to sign contract)
Degenauer Jr. Aye Motion Carried.

O. Fair Board - Commissioner John Degenauer, Jr. - No Report

P. Library Board - Commissioner Ann Martin - No Report

Q. Dickinson Partnership/Economic Dev. - Commissioner Joe Stevens - No Report

R. Employee Relations Committee - Commissioner Frank Smith - No Report

S. Dickinson County Hospital Committee - Commissioner Joe Stevens

1. Motion by Commissioner Stevens, supported by Commissioner Smith to approve a request from Bellin Health to address the issue of a Restrictive Covenant Agreement attached to the former hospital property at the June 27th Regular Board Meeting. Roll Call Vote: Commissioners:

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| Degenauer Jr. | Aye | |
| Martin | Aye | |
| Smith | Aye | |
| Stevens | Aye | |
| Wender | Aye | Motion Carried. |

2. Motion by Commissioner Stevens, supported by Commissioner Smith to Set June 27th as the date for a Public Hearing on the request from Bellin Health to waive the Restrictive Covenant Agreement attached to the former hospital property. All Ayes, Motion Carried.

T. Dickinson County Road Commission - Commissioner Henry Wender

4. Road Commission meeting minutes of 5/11/11.

U. Construction Code Commission - Commissioner John Degenauer, Jr. - No Report

V Bay West Advisory Committee - Ann Martin - No Report

8. Citizens’ Time: (Limited to five minutes per person):

Chairman Wender opened the floor to Citizens’ Time and there was no participation.

9. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS & OLD BUSINESS:** - Commissioner Degenauer

Commissioner Smith asked if there was any information on the hours set for recycling? He stated he received a flyer from someone who schedules visits to this area to pick up hazardous material and this may be a solution if the Solid Waste Authority will not make its hours more convenient.

10. **PETITIONS AND NEW BUSINESS:** - Commissioner Degenauer - None

11. Motion by Commissioner Martin, supported by Commissioner Smith to accept Committee Reports and Correspondence and Place on File. All Ayes, Motion Carried.

12. Controller’s Report. - None

13 Commissioners’ Personal Privilege.
Commissioner Martin asked that a letter be sent, by the prosecutor, to the Road Commission about the Open Meetings violation and that no action will be taken.
Commissioner Stevens stated the Hospital has the future plans set up. He stated the news media in our area, mainly Aaron Harper of WJNR and Jim Anderson of the Daily News, is fair and balanced. He thanked them for being so professional and this community is honored to have them in that capacity.
Commissioner Degenauer Jr. stated they do a wonderful job and thanked them.

14. Motion by Commissioner Stevens, supported by Commissioner Martin to adjourn, Subject to Call of Chairman at 7:07 P.M.

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